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LETTER ORDER

To Counsel of Record: *Burgess v. Baltimore Police Department, et al.*
Civil Action No. RDB-15-0834


Dear Counsel:

This letter confirms the results of yesterday's telephonic hearing regarding the parties' correspondence as to the Judgment against Mr. Goldstein and the stayed *Monell* claim.¹ (See ECF Nos. 418-23.) At the conclusion of the hearing, this Court ruled that:

1. The parties have until next **Wednesday, May 9, 2018** to submit a Joint Motion for Certification under Rule 54(b), including a Joint Proposed Order that would certify the Judgment against Mr. Goldstein as a "final judgment" for the purposes of Rule 54(b); and
2. In the absence of a timely joint submission, this Court will not otherwise exercise its discretion to issue a certification under Rule 54(b).

Notwithstanding the informal nature of this letter, it is an Order of this Court and the Clerk is directed to docket it as such.

Sincerely,


Richard D. Bennett
United States District Judge

¹ In *Monell v. New York City Dep't of Soc. Servs.*, 436 U.S. 658, 692-94 (1978) the United States Supreme Court held that a municipality may be liable under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 for constitutional injuries caused by official policy. On March 23, 2016, this Court bifurcated and stayed Mr. Burgess' claim under *Monell* that certain alleged policies and practices of the Baltimore Police Department caused the violations of his constitutional rights. (ECF No. 68.)